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GOVERNOR

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To the Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

In compliance with the requirements set forth in the Illinois Regulatory Sunset Act (5 ILCS 80), my office has conducted a review of the Petroleum Equipment Contractor Licensing Act (225 ILCS 729), which is scheduled to sunset on January 1, 2022. As a result of this review, it is recommended to the General Assembly that:

The Petroleum Equipment Contractor Licensing Act (225 ILCS 729) should be continued with the following modifications to its existing statutory and administrative rule framework.

- Revising the subsection on business to require current business registration (rather than business registration) and allowing for denial of application or renewal without current business registration.
- Amending or removing provisions which reflect outdated processes.

The Petroleum Equipment Contractor Licensing Act is designed to ensure that the quality of petroleum or hazardous substance underground storage tank (UST) work in Illinois meets the highest standards of safety and technical competency. Meeting those standards assures the owners/operators of USTs and the citizens of Illinois that the environment, citizen safety and the owner's/operator's businesses are getting the best service and protection possible.

The absence of regulation would pose a significant and direct harm to the welfare of the public. There is currently not sufficient evidence to suggest that the burdens imposed by regulation outweigh the benefits to the health, safety and welfare of the people of Illinois in continuing the regulation of this profession. Consequently, the continuation of this regulation is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the people of Illinois.

The full report provided by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget is provided as reference.

Very Sincerely and Respectfully, JB Pritzker Governor